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For PROCESSES AND PREPARATION OF 9,11-EPOXY STEROIDS AND
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

Prior to examination of the instant application, please
enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this
paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the
claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

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